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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled "Clean Version of Pending Claims" for the previously pending claim set. Specific amendments are detailed below.

Please amend claim 19 as follows:

19. (Amended) A recombinant adeno-associated viral vector comprising at least one heterologous transcriptional regulatory element functional in a host cell, [and] which vector regulates, in the host cell, expression of a therapeutic gene in a second recombinant adeno-associated viral vector [does not comprise sequences which encode a protein].

Please add the following new claims:

49. (New) A method to enhance the expression of a polynucleotide in a host cell, comprising: contacting a host cell comprising a recombinant AAV vector comprising a polynucleotide segment which encodes a polypeptide, with a composition comprising a further recombinant AAV vector corresponding to the vector of claim 19 in an amount which enhances expression of the polynucleotide.

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